

PROJECT 10073 RECORD CARD

1. DATE <u>28 Aug 52</u>	2. LOCATION Barksdale AFB, La.	12. CONCLUSIONS <input type="checkbox"/> Was Balloon <input type="checkbox"/> Probably Balloon <input type="checkbox"/> Possibly Balloon <input type="checkbox"/> Was Aircraft <input type="checkbox"/> Probably Aircraft <input type="checkbox"/> Possibly Aircraft <input type="checkbox"/> Was Astronomical <input type="checkbox"/> Probably Astronomical <input type="checkbox"/> Possibly Astronomical <input type="checkbox"/> Other <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Insufficient Data for Evaluation <input type="checkbox"/> Unknown	
3. DATE-TIME GROUP Local <u>0300</u>	4. TYPE OF OBSERVATION <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Ground-Visual <input type="checkbox"/> Air-Visual	5. PHOTOS <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	6. SOURCE airmen, AP's
7. LENGTH OF OBSERVATION	8. NUMBER OF OBJECTS <u>2</u>	9. COURSE <u>S</u>	10. COMMENTS "Comet" shape. High speed to hover. 2 objects sighted by airmen 1st ... may have been a meteor.
11. COMMENTS			

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COUNTRY

USA

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REPORT

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AREA REPORTED ON

Barksdale AFB, La.

FROM (Agency)

301st Bombardment Wing (ri) SAC

DATE OF REPORT

28 - 29 August 1952

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PREPARED BY (Name)

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Witnessed (and further, directed, previous report, 1952)

1 SOURCE
A/2c Jack S Jones, AF 13342261

USAF Letter 200-5, 29 April 1952

SUMMARY. (For concise summary of report. Give information in just one sentence paragraph. List evidence at least 4. Do not exceed 10 lines in Part II.)

At approximately 0300, 28 August 1952 A/2c Jack S. Jones, AF 13342261, 805th Air Police Squadron, Barksdale AFB, while on guard duty on the flight line in area "C", observed what appeared to be a comet. This comet or object moved at a terrific rate of speed in a direction from the N.W. to South. The "star like" light suddenly stopped in flight and hovered in a stationary position for a few seconds and then disappeared as though an electric light had been switched off.

On the 29th of August 1952 at approximately 0215 the same airmen observed a similar object or light moving from a SW to SE position at an extremely high speed. When 15 of the Barksdale landing strip, the light suddenly stopped without first diminishing its speed. After a few seconds of "bobbing", the light became stationary and gradually turned to a red glow, then green, again red and finally white. In comparison with the stars, the light was much larger and brighter. It appeared to be approximately the size of a silver dollar. The edges were clearly defined, without fuzziness. Weather condition was clear and visibility unlimited.

This phenomenon was brought to the attention of the Sector Patrolman, S/Sgt J. K. Elliott, AF 16330495, who in turn reported it to the Sgt of the Guard, T/Sgt John J. Kasarada, AF 10515501. S/Sgt Elliott also observed the light in its stationary position.

Jones continued to watch the light which remained stationary and bright until he went to inspect the rear of the B-29 aircraft he was guarding. Upon returning to the front of the aircraft, the light had disappeared. The time was 0515.

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PROJECT 10073 WORKSHEET

I. GENERAL

1. DATE	2. LOCATION	3. TIME
25 Aug 52	Holloman AFB, N. M.	Local: 1540 MST Zebra: 2240
4. WAS OBJECT OBSERVED FROM THE GROUND?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> Naked Eye <input type="checkbox"/> Binoculars <input type="checkbox"/> Telescope <input type="checkbox"/> Theodolite	
5. WAS OBJECT OBSERVED BY GROUND RADAR?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> By One Set <input type="checkbox"/> By Two Sets <input type="checkbox"/> By Three Sets	
6. WAS OBJECT OBSERVED FROM THE AIR?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> A/C Observed Object <input type="checkbox"/> Interception Attempted <input type="checkbox"/> No Intercept Attempted	
7. WERE AIRCRAFT SCRAMBLED TO INTERCEPT?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> A/C Scrambled <input type="checkbox"/> Visual Contact Made <input type="checkbox"/> A/I Contact Made <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No Contact Made	
8. DID OBJECT CHANGE DIRECTION AT ANY TIME?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> Normal <input type="checkbox"/> Violent	
9. IF OBJECT WAS A "LIGHT", WAS IT:	<input type="checkbox"/> Blinking <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Steady	
10. LENGTH OF TIME IN SIGHT:	<input type="checkbox"/> 1-15 Seconds <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1-5 Minutes <input type="checkbox"/> Over 10 Minutes	
11. REPORTING AGENCY (Unit Number and Mailing Address)	Intelligence Section, 6540 th Missile Test Wg. 12 Holloman AFB, N. M.	

II. ASTRONOMICAL DATA

12. WHAT ASTRONOMICAL ACTIVITY WAS NOTED?	None	
13. DID OBJECT APPEAR TO ARCH DOWNWARD?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	
14. DID OBJECT HAVE A TAIL?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	
15. DID OBJECT APPEAR TO DISINTEGRATE?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	
16. TIME OF SIGHTING RELATIVE TO SUNRISE OR SUNSET (Data From Air Almanac)	<input type="checkbox"/> Night <input type="checkbox"/> Day <input type="checkbox"/> Sunrise <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Sunset	

III. AIRCRAFT DATA

17. WERE AIRCRAFT NOTED IN AREA?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	
	<input type="checkbox"/> One Aircraft <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> More Than One Aircraft	
18. WAS ANY SOUND HEARD?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	
19. WERE THERE INDICATIONS OF HIGH BACKGROUND NOISE?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	
20. WAS THE OBJECT VIEWED ABOVE 45° ELEVATION?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	

IV. BALLOON DATA

21. WERE BALLOONS RELEASED IN AREA? Yes No

22. TIME SINCE SCHEDULED BALLOON RELEASE: 100 Minutes

23. POSSIBLE BALLOON LAUNCH SITES DOWNDOWN OF SIGHTING:

a.	Location	Type	Launching Agency	Lighted?		Describe Lighting
				Yes	No	
a.	Holloman	RW	AWS		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
b.						
c.						
d.						

(attach overlay)

V. EVALUATION

21. EVALUATION OF SOURCE:

- Excellent
- Good
- Fair
- Poor
- Unreliable
- Extremely Doubtful
- Hoax

22. DETAILS OF REPORT:

- Good
- Fair
- Poor
- Insufficient to Evaluate

23. FINAL EVALUATION:

- Was Balloon
- Probably Balloon
- Possibly Balloon

- Was Aircraft
- Probably Aircraft
- Possibly Aircraft

- Was Astronomical
- Probably Astronomical
- Possibly Astronomical

- Other: _____
- Insufficient Data For Evaluation

- Unknown

24. COMMENTS:

(PROJECT 10073 WEATHER DATA SHEET)

1. DATE OF OBSERVATION		2. TIME OF OBSERVATION		3. STATION OBSERVING	
4. WINDS ALOFT:					
ALTITUDE (feet)	VELOCITY (knots)	DIRECTION (degrees)	ALTITUDE (feet)	VELOCITY (knots)	DIRECTION (degrees)
0			25,000		
1,000			30,000		
2,000			35,000		
3,000			40,000		
4,000			45,000		
5,000			50,000		
6,000			55,000		
7,000			60,000		
8,000			65,000		
9,000			70,000		
10,000			75,000		
12,000			80,000		
14,000			85,000		
16,000			90,000		
18,000			95,000		
20,000			100,000		
5. WAS AN INVERSION LAYER NOTED? (If yes, at what altitude?)			<input type="checkbox"/> Yes		<input type="checkbox"/> No
6. WERE ANY THUNDERSTORMS NOTED IN AREA? (If yes, at what quadrant?)			<input type="checkbox"/> Yes		<input type="checkbox"/> No
7. CLOUD COVER: ____ tenths at ____ feet. ____ tenths at ____ feet.			8. VISIBILITY WAS ____ MILES.		
9. COMMENTS:					